

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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NEW YORK CITY HEALTH AND HOSPITALS
CORPORATION,

Plaintiff in Interpleader,

-v.-

RONALD HUNT, INDIVIDUALLY AND AS
PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE ESTATE
OF DR. DANIEL HIPPOLYTE HUNT, STEPHANIE
HUNT-GUILLAUME, DESMOND HUNT, COURTNEY
HUNT and ADRIAN WILLIAMS,

Defendants/Counterclaimants
in Interpleader.

23 Civ. 1450 (JHR)

ORDER

JENNIFER H. REARDEN, District Judge:

On March 6, 2023, Defendant Ronald Hunt (“Defendant”) was served with the Summons and the Interpleader Complaint. ECF No. 18. Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12, Defendant was required to respond to the Complaint by March 27, 2023. *See Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a)(1)(A)(i).* On April 7, 2023, the Clerk of Court entered a Certificate of Default as to Defendant. ECF No. 33. On May 2, 2023, Defendant, who appears to be proceeding *pro se*, filed an Answer to the Complaint and the Cross-Claim of Defendants Stephanie Hunt-Guillaume, Desmond Hunt, and Courtney Hunt, which was filed on March 23, 2023. ECF No. 37. Defendant’s Answer (as to the Complaint) is therefore untimely. **By June 8, 2023**, Plaintiff shall file a letter stating whether it consents to Defendant’s filing of an untimely Answer.

Defendant is directed to promptly file a Notice of Appearance *Pro Se*. Defendant shall also review the Court’s Individual Rules and Practices in Civil *Pro Se* Cases, available at <https://www.nysd.uscourts.gov/hon-jennifer-h-rearden>. On May 4, 2023, the Court received a letter that Defendant had mailed to Chambers. ECF No. 40. Pursuant to the Court’s Individual

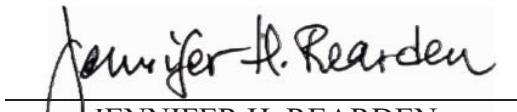
Rules and Practices in Civil *Pro Se* Cases, “[*p*]ro *se* parties may not contact the Court directly.”

All communications with the Court by a *pro se* party (including written, electronic, and telephone communications) should be addressed to the Pro Se Office. In addition, Defendant is encouraged to consent to receive electronic service through ECF. The Court has enclosed with this Order the Pro Se Consent to Receive Documents Electronically instructions and Consent to Electronic Service form.

The Clerk of Court is directed to mail a copy of this Order to *pro se* Defendant Ronald Hunt.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: June 1, 2023
New York, New York



JENNIFER H. REARDEN
United States District Judge



**United States District Court
Southern District of New York**

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1. Sign up for a PACER login and password by contacting PACER¹ at www.pacer.uscourts.gov or 1-800-676-6856;
2. Complete and sign this form.

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3. This service does *not* allow you to electronically file your documents;
4. It will be your duty to regularly review the docket sheet of the case.³

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³ The docket sheet is the official record of all filings in a case. You can view the docket sheet, including images of electronically filed documents, using PACER or you can use one of the public access computers available in the Clerk’s Office at the Court.

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2. I have established a PACER account;
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4. I will promptly notify the Court if there is any change in my personal data, such as name, address, or e-mail address, or if I wish to cancel this consent to electronic service;
5. I understand that I must regularly review the docket sheet of my case so that I do not miss a filing; and
6. I understand that this consent applies only to the cases listed below and that if I file additional cases in which I would like to receive electronic service of notices of documents, I must file consent forms for those cases.

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Please list all your pending and terminated cases to which you would like this consent to apply. For each case, include the case name and docket number (for example, John Doe v. New City, 10-CV-01234).

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